UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO: FILE (89-43) 100-10461

DATE: 11/29/63

FROM: SAC SHANKLIN

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

ANDY DECKER from the Bureau called at 7:00 PM today and stated there were 3 things that WM. SULLIVAN wants checked.

In the New York Journal American today, there is an article, dateline Dallas, Nov. 27, which says that the Texas Dept. of Public Safety has an extensive file on OSWALD which they had prior to the assassination. They called a Major GUY SMITH, Department Senior Officer in the Dallas area, who stated if they had known OSWALD was in Texas prior to the President's visit, they would probably have notified the Dallas PD. ANDY DECKER requests we check DPS files to find out what they have on OSWALD.

I advised that we would call back on this if we find out they have such a file in existence and if they will make it available to us, and if anything pertinent in it.

Also, there is article in the news today from Dallas and it talks about a man named ROBERT STOVALL, and he said that his firm hired OSWALD as a trainee. He requested we check this employment out. He was assured that this had already been done, but that it would be rechecked, and if not done, it would certainly be checked.

The UPI release today from Ft. Worth states that some public stenographer named PAULINE V. BATES claimed that OSWALD was writing a book as to his travels and experiences in the Soviet Union, and dictated part of the book to her. She gave this information to the Ft. Worth Press in an interview. If we haven't already interviewed her, this should be done. He was advised we will find out who she is and have her interviewed.

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